



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Ostermann et al.

Group Art Unit: 2856

Application No.: 09/509,215

Examiner: T. Noland

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For: APPARATUS FOR REMOVING A
SAMPLE FROM AN ARRAY OF
SAMPLES AND A CUTTING TOOL
FOR USE WITH THAT APPARATUS

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 22, 2004, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks for entry in the record of the above-captioned application. It is respectfully requested that the time for responding to this Office Action be extended for a period of two (2) months, from January 22, 2005 to and including March 22, 2005.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$450.00. Please charge the required fee to Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP Deposit Account No. 50-0310.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 2 of this amendment

A Listing of the Claims begins on page 3 of this amendment.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this amendment.

Conclusions begin on page 9 of this amendment.